

Remarks

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2004. This response is being submitted in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.114 in order to permit the consideration of the enclosed supplemental information disclosure statement.

The Office Action first objected to the Specification at paragraph 2 as containing an incorrect serial number for the provisional application to which the present application claims benefit. The Office Action next objected to the Oath/ Declaration as that document contained the same incorrect serial number for the related provisional application. The Office Action allowed claims 1-60.

Declaration:

The Office Action objected to the Declaration as containing an incorrect serial number of the provisional patent application to which the present application claims benefit. Specifically, the Declaration indicated erroneously that the serial number of the provisional patent application was 60/296,381. The correct serial number for that application is 60/269,381. In response to this objection, Applicant has enclosed herein a supplemental Declaration and Power of Attorney with the correct serial number of the provisional application. Applicant therefore requests the withdrawal of this objection.

Specification:

The Office Action also objected to the Specification at paragraph 2 for the same reasons as indicated above in association with the Declaration. Specifically, paragraph 2 of the Specification contained the same erroneous serial number of the provisional patent application to which the present application claims benefit. In response to this objection, Applicant has provided a replacement paragraph amended to indicate that the correct serial number of the provisional application is 60/269,381. Applicant therefore requests the withdrawal of this objection.

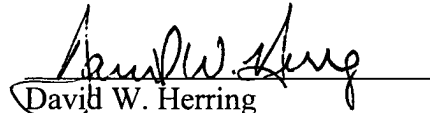
Applicant has also amended paragraph 2 to indicate the U.S. Patent Office Serial Number of the related patent application referenced in that paragraph.

Allowable Subject Matter:

The Office Action allowed claims 1-60. The Office Action Applicants appreciates the recognition of allowable subject matter.

Applicants have submitted a supplemental Declaration and Power of Attorney and have amended the Specification in order to address the respective objections to the original Declaration and Specification as filed. As a result, all objections have been addressed. Applicants respectfully request a notice of allowance and that all claims be passed to issuance.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David W. Herring", is written over a horizontal line.

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